



"The City With a Heart"

Jim Ruane, Mayor
Ken Ibarra, Vice Mayor
Rico E. Medina, Councilmember
Irene O'Connell, Councilmember
Michael Salazar, Councilmember

MINUTES

SAN BRUNO CITY COUNCIL

March 27, 2012

7:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER: THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT the San Bruno City Council met on March 27, 2012 at the San Bruno Senior Center, 1555 Crystal Springs Rd., San Bruno, CA. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Ruane thanked the San Bruno Garden Club for the beautiful floral arrangement.

2. ROLL CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Presiding was Mayor Ruane, Vice Mayor Ibarra, Council Members Medina and Salazar. Council Member O'Connell was delayed with notice. Recording by Clerk Bonner. **Robert Riechel** led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Ruane announced the Annual Pancake Breakfast and Easter Egg Hunt would be held March 31, 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. at San Bruno City Park. The Easter Egg Hunt Begins Promptly at 11:00 a.m., weather permitting indoors or outdoors.

Mayor Ruane introduced City Manager Jackson who said construction of the water line improvements located at both ends of Plymouth where it intersects Claremont on each end will begin on Monday, April 2 and will take approximately two months to complete.

4. PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Ruane introduced Robert Riechel, Representative to the San Mateo County Mosquito and Vector Control District who gave a presentation on Recommended Actions to Prevent Spread of Mosquitos.

5. REVIEW OF AGENDA:

Mayor Ruane moved Item 11. to follow Item 8.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Special Closed Session Council Meeting of March 9, 2012 and the Regular Council Meeting of March 13, 2012, approved as submitted with minor changes (City Manager Jackson *said that she had made a commitment to fund \$20,000 to create a short video as a first step to allow the City to consider a larger documentary project at a cost of approximately \$250,000*) to the last page of the Regular Council Meeting.

M/S Ibarra/Salazar to approve the Minutes and passed with all ayes. Councilmember O'Connell delayed with notice.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR:

a. **Approve:** Accounts Payable of March 5, 12 and 19, 2012 and Successor Agency Accounts Payable of March 5 and 12, 2012.

b. **Approve:** Payroll of March 11, 2012.

c. **Accept:** Reconciliation of General Ledger to Bank Reports and the Investment Reports dated February 29, 2012.

M/S Medina/Ibarra to approve the Consent Calendar and passed with all ayes. Councilmember O'Connell delayed with notice.

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.

11. REPORT OF COMMISSIONS, BOARDS, & COMMITTEES:

Receive Annual Report from the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee.

Randy Braize introduced all the members of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee, reviewed what the Committee has done over the past year, including a short one-minute film. He also shared their plans for the next year as well as inviting new members to apply to the Committee to fill some of their vacancies.

Mayor Ruane thanked the Committee for all they do.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA:

Perry Peterson, Scenic Ct. asked financial reports be provided for the water/wastewater increases.

Hanna Ingersoll, accompanied by Plenny Cavallero, represented Capuchino's Abolitionist Club, which works toward ending modern day slavery. They invited everyone to come to Capuchino High School on Thursday evening from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. to see a 30-minute documentary on the KONY movement.

10. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS:

a. Receive Report and Provide Direction to Staff Regarding Alternatives for Memory Lane.

City Attorney Zafferano gave a powerpoint presentation on alternatives for Memory Lane.

Councilmember Ibarra asked why there is a legal process on vacating? **Zafferano** said it is stated under the Streets and Highways Code under State law. **Councilmember Ibarra** asked how a pedestrian walkway pertains to Streets and Highways Code? **Zafferano** said public access ways of all kinds are covered in the Streets and Highways Code. If a public entity wishes to take a public way and place it out of public service, it has to conduct a process and determine the way is either not being used now or won't be used in the future for public use. A street vacation involves a Planning Commission as well as a City Council Hearing. Once it is vacated, then the way would revert to the adjacent property owners and the City would retain the easement.

Councilmember Ibarra asked what the buffer would be? **Zafferano** said in some places a fence could be built, other places planter boxes could be put in.

Councilmember Salazar said he would not consider a fence to be a buffer, beautifying it might not solve the problem. He also asked about the cost of the fencing, maintenance, etc.? **Zafferano** said the ongoing cost of maintenance was not addressed but looking at the total cost for a fence, it appears it would be costly and might not solve all the problems.

Councilmember Salazar asked about the grant? **Public Services Director Fabry** said dependent upon the decisions made tonight, the grant application is due this Friday for a State funded infrastructure type of grant. She also shared the information on the grant Safe Route to School Program.

Councilmember Salazar asked where else these solutions/alternatives have been used?

Chief Telford said during 2006-2007 there was a big graffiti problem through the City. A camera was installed at Beckner Shelter and the incidences of graffiti declined.

Associate Planner Russell said examples of plantings to reduce graffiti have been effective. There are taller fences where plants can grow up them that can be used in walkways. There is the transition of public space to private space; however, this area might not be a good transition. She said a secondary fence maybe of a different construction material or with vegetation might help to provide that transition.

Councilmember Ibarra asked about not having this area used? He asked at what point does Council determine this area has an overall benefit to the entire City vs. a very small group of people who benefit from its existence? **Zafferano** said that would be a finding of fact for the Planning Commission and Council to determine in the legal proceedings and public hearing that would have to be held regarding the vacation.

George Corey, Esq. El Camino Real, representing the homes on Memory Lane commended staff on their thorough investigation on finding alternatives. He said some people on the Lane would still like it to be closed.

Jennifer Rice, Attorney, representing Grace Honda said they had a need to expand and if they do so, the footprint will extend beyond the current location of Memory Lane. She said the staff report indicates relocation of the Lane to the southern portion of the lot; however, that would not work.

Mayor Ruane asked what runs through the middle of Grace Honda? **Zafferano** thought there was an easement. **Fabry** said a water main line and no construction could be built over a water main line.

Councilmember Salazar said he would like to see the cameras, with funding. He didn't feel landscaping the Lane would be that beneficial. He also asked to get a cost on closing it off to get a financial comparison.

Vice Mayor Ibarra's first inclination would be to close the Lane, as an alternative he suggested putting cameras up.

Councilmember Medina appreciated the alternatives. He liked the idea of cameras, light sensors, barriers at each end, police patrol, we need to exercise and try these alternatives. Grants are great, but he asked these be addressed quickly.

Mayor Ruane said he would like to have it be ADA accessible, bollards and cameras. He asked what it costs to relocate a water line?

City Manager Jackson said installation of cameras, installation of barriers or bollards to prevent unauthorized vehicle access into the lane. She suggested directing staff to proceed with one or both of those strategies. **Mayor Ruane** asked for information on relocation of the line and an estimation of the cost to close the four ends of the residential area.

b. Receive Report Regarding Settlement Agreement Between the City of San Bruno and PG&E and Adopt Resolution Amending the City's Investment Policy Relating to Settlement Funds.

City Manager Jackson gave a report on what is happening in the Glenview/Crestmoor area. She talked about the trust fund set up by PG&E, which is dedicated solely to the incident of September, 2010. She also talked about the settlement funds given to the City of San Bruno.

City Treasurer Marty gave an overview of the staff report and the Investment Policy and asked for questions.

Vice Mayor Ibarra asked what the nine to twelve months were for? **City Manager Jackson** said the nine to twelve months were for the establishment of the entity.

Councilmember Medina introduced the resolution for adoption and passed with a unanimous vote, Councilmember O'Connell delayed.

c. Adopt Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a with K. J. Woods Construction in the Amount of \$88,000 Approving a Budget of \$130,000 for the Construction of the Kains to Angus Bypass Sewer and Appropriating \$130,000 from the Wastewater Enterprise Fund.

Interim City Engineer Razavi gave an overview of the staff report and presented a powerpoint map showing the area where the improvements will be done and asked for questions.

Vice Mayor Ibarra asked if it is customary to have a staff construction management's inspection at 25%? **Razavi** said it is usually 10% to 15%.

Vice Mayor Ibarra asked if this would guarantee there would be no sso's in that area? **Fabry** said historically it has always been a capacity related problem and with this improvement, it will be eliminated.

Councilmember Medina said it is listed that this is the highest location of spills in the City. He asked to quantify what was a lot and highest risk? **Fabry** said this spot experienced sanitary sewer overflows this year and last until an emergency bypass was put in place. She added this is the only capacity related location for sso's in the City. **Councilmember Medina** asked about traffic in the area? **Razavi** said there is a traffic item in the budget and they plan to keep the traffic moving at all times with the exception of night work that might need to be closed down for safety.

For the record, **Councilmember O'Connell** arrived at 8:50 p.m.

Councilmember Salazar asked how much future growth is planned? **Fabry** said their plan was for any possible growth based on the general plan and also the transit corridor plan.

Councilmember Salazar introduced the resolution for adoption and passed with a unanimous vote.

d. Adopt Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Contract for the Purchase of Pedestrian Audible Push Button Stations from Western Pacific Signal, LLC in the Amount of \$55,140.79.

Interim City Engineer Razavi gave an overview of the staff report and presented a powerpoint map showing the area where the push buttons will be placed and asked for questions.

Councilmember Medina said he didn't see any contingency. **Razavi** said there was money left in the fund from the original project and we didn't need any contingency because 10% additional equipment was included.

Councilmember Salazar said he believed this could be handled in-house and **Razavi** concurred. **Councilmember Salazar** said since these were being placed on Caltrain posts and they were to be replaced, could they be put on a new infrastructure? **Razavi** concurred and said it was stand-alone.

Vice Mayor Ibarra said for the benefit of the public, when they cross a street with these signals, they would hear the streets they are crossing and a tweeting? **Razavi** concurred and said eventually a countdown will be added.

Vice Mayor Ibarra introduced the resolution for adoption and passed with a unanimous vote.

11. REPORT OF COMMISSIONS, BOARDS, & COMMITTEES: (Moved to follow Item 8.)

12. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS: None.

13. CLOSED SESSION:

Mayor Ruane said they would be going into closed session with no reportable action. Public Employee Performance Evaluation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957:
City Attorney.

14. ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Ruane closed the meeting at 9:06 p.m. with a moment of silence in memory of Arthur Lepore of Millbrae. Art was a World War II Vet, a retired Capuchino High School teacher, served 17 years on the Millbrae City Council, 12 years on the Millbrae School Board and made many other contributions to the community before dying on March 14, 2012.

The next regular City Council Meeting will be held on April 10, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Senior Center, 1555 Crystal Springs Road, San Bruno.

Respectfully submitted for approval
at the regular City Council Meeting of
April 24, 2012

Carol Bonner, City Clerk

Jim Ruane, Mayor